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1. NO STEPCCHILD/STEPARENT RELATIONSHIPS ADJUDICATED AT LUSAKA DURING THE LAST YEAR, AND THEREFORE NO FRAUD ENCO-UNTERED.
2. CONSULAR OFFICER WOULD PROBABLY ACCEPT BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF CHILD SHOWING FATHER HAS ACKNOWLEDGED PATERNITY TOGETHER WITH MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE OF FATHER.
3. ZAMBIAN LAW SAYS THAT NO PERSON SHALL BE REGISTERED AS THE FATHER OF AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD EXCEPT ON THE JOINT REQUEST OF THE MOTHER AND HIMSELF AND UPON HIS ACKNOWLEDGING HIMSELF IN WRITING TO BE THE FATHER OF THE CHILD IN THE PRESENCE OF THE REGISTRAR. AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD IS LEGITIMATED WHERE THE PARENTS MARRY OR HAVE MARRIED ONE ANOTHER. CLAIMS OF LEGITIMACY CAN BE SETTLED BY PETITIONING THE HIGH COURT, WHICH WILL ISSUE APPROPRIATE DECREE.
4. BEST PROTECTION AGAINST FRAUD WOULD BE TO REQUIRE THAT THE FATHER OF AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD HAD ACCEPTED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CHILD AT A VERY EARLY AGE. IN MOST CASES, ZAMBIAN SYSTEM WILL ACCEPT FATHER'S OWN STATEMENT WITHOUT QUESTION IF BOTH PARENTS ARE IN AGREEMENT.

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